

BROSS, Alaric

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD  
Re: ALARIC BROSS

1. SUBJECT FIRST came to the attention of this Detachment when Mr Karl BOEHN, DDU, visited Hq to discuss a case of his then going in the WURZBURG area. BOEHN revealed that:

a. DDU had a source in the British Zone, one Alaric BROSS, operating in HAMBURG and other parts of the BZ. Said BROSS, whom DDU considered 90% reliable, was a former Abwehr officer who had operated in FINLAND during World War II.

b. During the course of investigation of another, seemingly unrelated case, in the WURZBURG area, BOEHN had come upon a supposed KPD ringleader who used the same name and background. BOEHN had never had any direct contact with the second BROSS, but had received numerous reports on his activities from a source in WURZBURG, one Hans SCHOFF.

c. Said SCHOFF had approached CIC WURZBURG with a proposal to sell information on Kampfgruppe TERSCH, KPD courier activities, KPD finances, and positive information from the Sovzone. SCHOFF's information was proved false by Hq check, but it aroused interest since it duplicated information received from other sources in WURZBURG and AUGSBURG in 1949, from REGENSBURG in the summer of this year, and recent information from STUTTGART. Comparison of reports received in various places by CIC and DDU revealed that in some instances the reports were carbon copies.

2. SCHOFF was subject to a polygraph test on this date, and the test indicated that he was lying on several points. He was arrested immediately after the test and removed to ECIC for interrogation. No attempt was made during the test to develop the BROSS angle of the case, but this will be done during the course of the detailed interrogation at ECIC.

*another phony - Arthur PILS was previously arrested by CIC & said SCHOFF was his handler.*

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